

Docket No.: 1614.1404

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Osamu TAKEUCHI et al.

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Serial No. 10/849,192

Group Art Unit: 2883

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Examiner: Lepisto, Ryan a.

For:

BLADE-TYPE OPTICAL TRANSMISSION APPARATUS

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on December 28, 2006. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 28, 2007.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.